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TRAJECTORY OF A GOLF BALL

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SECOND VOLUNTARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

After granting a filing date and calculating the filing fee for this new patent application, but before the first examination, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims:

Claims 1 to 3 are maintained unchanged.

Claims 4 to 12 have been cancelled in the First Preliminary Amendment filed simultaneously herewith and with this new patent application.

Please enter new claims 13 to 29 as follows.

USPS EXPRESS MAIL EV 338 198 252 US JULY 02 2003 13. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 1, wherein said ellipse is determined by solving the equation of motion using the following equations:

$$F_{X}(t) = -\frac{1}{2}(C_{D}(t)\cos \alpha + C_{L}(t)\sin \alpha) \rho AV_{B}(t)^{2}$$

$$F_{Y}(t) = -\frac{1}{2}(C_{D}(t)\sin \alpha - C_{L}(t)\cos \alpha) \rho AV_{B}(t)^{2} - mg$$

$$N(t+\Delta t) = -\rho AdC_{m}(t)V_{B}(t)^{2} \Delta t/(4\pi I) + N(t)$$

wherein $F_X(t)$ is force applied to a ball in flight in the flight direction at time instant t, $F_Y(t)$ is force applied to a ball in flight in the vertical direction at time instant t, and $N(t+\Delta t)$ is decrease in the rotational speed of a ball due to aerodynamic torque after interval of Δt ; and

wherein C_D : drag coefficient, C_L : lift coefficient, α : elevation angle of a ball(deg), ρ : air density(kg/m³), A: ball sectional area(m²), V_B : ball velocity(m/sec), m: ball mass(kg), g: gravitational acceleration(m/sec²), C_m : moment coefficient, d: ball diameter(m), I: moment of inertia of a ball (kg/m²), N: ball rotational speed(rps).

14. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 2, wherein said ellipse is determined by solving the equation of motion using the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{X}}(\mathsf{t}) &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{D}}(\mathsf{t}) \cos \alpha + \mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{L}}(\mathsf{t}) \sin \alpha) \ \rho \mathsf{AV}_{\mathrm{B}}(\mathsf{t})^2 \\ \mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{Y}}(\mathsf{t}) &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{D}}(\mathsf{t}) \sin \alpha - \mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{L}}(\mathsf{t}) \cos \alpha) \ \rho \mathsf{AV}_{\mathrm{B}}(\mathsf{t})^2 - \mathsf{mg} \\ \mathsf{N}(\mathsf{t} + \Delta \mathsf{t}) &= - \ \rho \mathsf{AdC}_{\mathrm{m}}(\mathsf{t}) \mathsf{V}_{\mathrm{B}}(\mathsf{t})^2 \ \Delta \mathsf{t} / (4\pi \mathsf{I}) + \mathsf{N}(\mathsf{t}) \end{aligned}$$

wherein $F_{\chi}(t)$ is force applied to a ball in flight in the flight direction at time instant t, $F_{\gamma}(t)$ is force applied to a ball in flight in the vertical direction at time instant t, and $N(t+\Delta t)$ is decrease in the rotational

speed of a ball due to aerodynamic torque after interval of Δt ; and

wherein C_D : drag coefficient, C_L : lift coefficient, α : elevation angle of a ball(deg), ρ : air density(kg/m³), A: ball sectional area(m²), V_B : ball velocity(m/sec), m: ball mass(kg), g: gravitational acceleration(m/sec²), C_m : moment coefficient, d: ball diameter(m), I: moment of inertia of a ball (kg m²), N: ball rotational speed(rps).

15. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 3, wherein said ellipse is determined by solving the equation of motion using the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{X}}(\mathsf{t}) &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{D}}(\mathsf{t}) \cos \alpha + \mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{L}}(\mathsf{t}) \sin \alpha) \ \rho \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{B}}(\mathsf{t})^{2} \\ \mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{Y}}(\mathsf{t}) &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{D}}(\mathsf{t}) \sin \alpha - \mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{L}}(\mathsf{t}) \cos \alpha) \ \rho \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{B}}(\mathsf{t})^{2} - mg \\ \mathbf{N}(\mathsf{t} + \Delta \mathsf{t}) &= -\rho \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d} \mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{m}}(\mathsf{t}) \mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{B}}(\mathsf{t})^{2} \ \Delta \mathsf{t} / (4\pi \mathbf{I}) + \mathbf{N}(\mathsf{t}) \end{aligned}$$

wherein $F_{x}(t)$ is force applied to a ball in flight in the flight direction at time instant t, $F_{y}(t)$ is force applied to a ball in flight in the vertical direction at time instant t, and $N(t+\Delta t)$ is decrease in the rotational speed of a ball due to aerodynamic torque after interval of Δt ; and

wherein C_D : drag coefficient, C_L : lift coefficient, α : elevation angle of a ball(deg), ρ : air density(kg/m³), A: ball sectional area(m²), V_B : ball velocity(m/sec), m: ball mass(kg), g: gravitational acceleration(m/sec²), C_m : moment coefficient, d: ball diameter(m), I: moment of inertia of a ball (kg m²), N: ball rotational speed(rps).

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- 16. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 1, wherein
 a face of said wood golf club head is formed of a low
 friction material.
- 1 17. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 2, wherein
 2 a face of said wood golf club head is formed of a low
 3 friction material.
- 1 18. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 3, wherein
 2 a face of said wood golf club head is formed of a low
 3 friction material.
- 1 19. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 16,
 2 wherein said face is coated with DLC (Diamond-like carbon),
 3 ceramic, or SiC.
- 20. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 16, wherein said face is composed of DYNEEMA® FRP.
- 1 21. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 16,
 2 wherein said face is plated with chromium or dispersed
 3 nickel.
- 1 22. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 16,
 2 wherein said face has an insert formed of polyacetal,
 3 polyamide, polytetrafluoroethylene, polyphenylenesulfide,
 4 polyamideimide, or polyimide.

- 1 23. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 1, wherein
 2 said face is formed of composite materials that are made
 3 from pitch-based carbon fibers and a pitch-based matrix.
 - 1 **24.** (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 1, wherein said wood golf club head is a driver club head.
 - 1 **25.** (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 1, wherein said wood golf club head is a driver club head, and its loft is 13 to 20 degrees.
 - 1 **26.** (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 2, wherein said face is formed of composite materials that are made from pitch-based carbon fibers and a pitch-based matrix.
 - 1 27. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 3, wherein said face is formed of composite materials that are made from pitch-based carbon fibers and a pitch-based matrix.
 - 1 28. (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 2, wherein
 2 said wood golf club head is a driver club head, and its
 3 loft is 13 to 20 degrees.
 - 1 **29.** (new) The wood golf club head according to claim 3, wherein said wood golf club head is a driver club head, and its loft is 13 to 20 degrees.

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